A RESOLUTION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS DERRICK BOAZMAN, JIM MADDOX, C.T. MARTIN, MARY NORWOOD, AND IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR.

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO ESTABLISH VARIABLE BASE RATES ACCORDING TO METER SIZE OF WATER RATEPAYERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta operates several Water Reclamation and Pumping Facilities for the purpose of removing for drinking and cleaning its waste and storm water for deposit back into the Chattahoochee River and other tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Watershed Management is preparing to do major renovations and improvements to these facilities and will have to raise both water and sewer rates to pay for the improvements; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Atlanta are being confronted with rate increases from both water and sewer fees and it is imperative that financial relief be provided to residential ratepayers through reductions by establishing variable base rates for water and sewer customers according to meter size; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; that the Mayor or her designee (Commissioner of Watershed Management) is authorized to prepare a schedule for the establishment of variable base rates according to meter size and this schedule is to be presented to City Council by March 1, 2004.

AND FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.